

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
 Washington, D. C. 20554

FCC 02M-102

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In the Matter of

CS DOCKET NO. 01-348

Application of

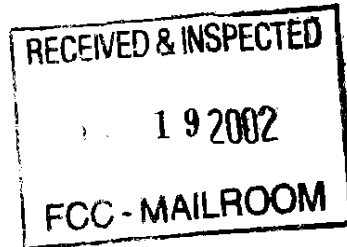
ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP.,
 (a Nevada Corporation), **General Motors**
Corporation, and **Hughes Electronics**
Corporation (Delaware Corporations)

(Transferors)

and

ECHOSTAR COMMUNICATIONS
CORPORATION (A Delaware Corporation)

(Transferee)



ORDER

Issued: November 12, 2002 ; Released: November 14, 2002

IT IS ORDERED, That Chief Administrative Law Judge Richard L. Sippel shall serve as Presiding Judge in the above-entitled proceeding.¹

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the date for the prehearing conference will be set at a later time.²

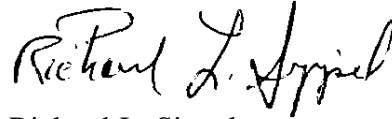
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That all hearing proceedings shall take place in the Offices of the Commission, Washington, D.C.

¹ Courtesy copies of Notices of Appearances, Pleadings and Motions that do not exceed twenty (20) pages in length are to be faxed on the date of service to the Office of Administrative Law Judges, fax number (202)418-0195.

² The Hearing Designation Order (FCC 02-284) allows the parties until November 27, 2002, to file an amended application to ameliorate competition concerns of the Commission. A preliminary conference will be set if there is no amended application filed by that date, or if the Commission further directs that the case go to hearing.

All parties are put on notice that they *are* expected to be fully cognizant of Part I of the Commission's **Rules** and Regulations concerning Practice and Procedure [47 C.F.R. Part I, **Subpart** A and Subpart B].

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Richard L. Sippel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "R".

Richard L. Sippel
Chief Administrative Law Judge